

**BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
STATE OF NEBRASKA**

DR. DENNIS A. HUGHES	)	
STATE VETERINARIAN	)	CANADIAN BOVINE
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY	)	IMPORT ORDER
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	)	
STATE OFFICE BUILDING	)	
301 CENTENNIAL MALL SOUTH	)	
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA 68509	)	

This Order is being issued to protect Nebraska dairy and beef herds.

Pursuant to the authority of Neb. Rev. Stat. §§54-701 and 54-753.03, this Order is issued this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2007, for the purpose of taking immediate action to protect Nebraska's dairy and beef cattle industry.

**ORDER:**

This Order is in addition to: (1) the requirements found in the current Nebraska Animal Importation Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. 54-753.05, and 54-784.01 through 54-796); (2) the Nebraska Animal Importation Regulations (Title 23 NAC, Chapter 2); and (3) all federal regulations concerning the interstate movement of such animals.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

All Canadian bovine animals (cattle and bison which have spent any part of their lives in Canada) shall meet the following requirements before being imported into Nebraska:

- Be born on or after March 1, 1999; and
- Canadian bovine animals shall be individually identified with an official CFIA RFID tag; or with a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS) approved eartags, and all such identification shall be listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI); and
- Canadian bovine animals imported into Nebraska for other than immediate slaughter must obtain a Nebraska pre-entry permit prior to entry, and such Nebraska pre-entry permit number shall be listed on the CVI. Please contact the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry, at (402) 471-2351, for a pre-entry permit; and
- Purebred registered bovine animals imported for other than immediate slaughter, may be imported with ear tattoos provided the following requirements are met: (1) all tattoos shall be legible, (2) tattoos shall be official breed registration tattoos; and (3) all animals identified with a

breed registration tattoo shall also be identified with the "CAN" tattoo applied to the inside of the left ear; and

- Non-registered Canadian bovine animals imported for other than immediate slaughter shall be properly hot iron or freeze branded with the "CAN", high on the right hip prior to entry (hairbrands are not acceptable).

**NOTICE: ALL CANADIAN DAIRY CATTLE SHALL MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE JANUARY 22, 2007 NEBRASKA DAIRY CATTLE IMPORT ORDER OR THE NEBRASKA IMPORTATION REGULATIONS, WHICHEVER IS MOST RESTRICTIVE.**

This Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until notice is given by the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Any exception to this Order shall be by written approval of the State Veterinarian, and only when such exception is in the best interest of the livestock industry of Nebraska and consistent with sound animal health practices. Applications for an exception shall completely and accurately describe the need for the exception. Exceptions granted shall be in writing although applicants may be advised in advance by telephone or in person that an exception has been granted.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2007.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dennis A. Hughes D.V.M.", written in a cursive style.

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Dr. Dennis A. Hughes  
Nebraska State Veterinarian